NAGS HEAD FIRE RESCUE

Smoking Safety Tips

We would like to provide some safety tips for being a safe smoker.

Unfortunately fire caused by an individual smoking is the leading cause of fire deaths. In our own homes is where most smoking related structure fires, death and injuries occur. Fires caused by smoking happens outside of our homes also so we need to be careful everywhere. Below are some good safety tips that we would like to pass on to you.

Smokin' Hot Safety Tips

- If you smoke, try to use fire-safe cigarettes
- Try to smoke outside. Most fire deaths are caused by fires that are started in the living room, family room, den, or in a bedroom.
- Keep cigarettes, lighters, matches, and other smoking materials out of the reach of children
- Never smoke where medical oxygen is being used



Cool Disposal Tips

- Use a deep, sturdy ashtray and place it away from anything that will burn.
- Do <u>NOT</u> toss your cigarette into mulch, potted plants, grass or any type of vegetation.
- Before throwing away any butts or ashes, make sure they are out. Put them in water or sand
- > Clean ashtray or disposal contains regularly.
- Do <u>NOT</u> discard a lit cigarette out of a vehicle. You could cause a grass fire. Properly dispose of it in the ashtray.



FACTS

1 cause of home fire deaths is caused by smoking materials.

The risk of dying in a home structure fire caused by smoking material rises with age.

One out of 4 fatal victims of smoking material fires is not the smoker whose cigarette started the fire.



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